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Minutes of Ways and Means Committee, January 10th, '99.

Mrs. Weston in the chair.

Mrs. Pierson showed a map of Alaska sent by Dr. Jackson who wrote that if societies ordered of the Government while they were printing this present edition, a thousand copies could be obtained for \$15.00. As these maps are large and up to date and would be very useful to the societies it was moved and carried that 1,000 copies be ordered at the price named.

Miss Templeton of Anadarko, Okl. Ter., is in need of a rest. Mr. Fait asks that a vacation be granted her from now until the beginning of the next school year and that a substitute be hired, the expense of the substitute to be added to the school expenses. Mr. McAfee recommended that Mr. Fait's request be granted. Moved by Mrs. Sinclair that we accept Mr. McAfee's recommendation. Carried.

Mrs. Pierson read a letter from Miss Alice Robertson. Miss Robertson is very anxious to obtain the situation as supervisor of schools for Indian Territory. She wrote asking that the women of the Board would unite in prayer asking that she might obtain this situation and also asking that if any had influence with Sec. Bliss that influence might be used in her behalf.

As a Board no official endorsement as to Miss Robertson's fitness for the position could be given, but a motion was made and carried that a letter be written Miss Robertson assuring her of the hearty sympathy of her friends here and that we would gladly unite in prayer with her that she should be led to see the Divine leadings. Earnest prayer was offered on Miss Robertson's behalf by Mrs. James, President of the Board.

A resolution from the Demorest W.C.T.U. was read, endorsing the action of the Woman's Board in their aggressive work against the Mormons. Motion carried that our Secretary write, acknowledging the co-operation of this organization.

A typewriting machine has given out. In view of the contraction in rooms it seems best to get one with a desk attached. Motion made and carried that such a machine be obtained.

Extra help was asked for assistance to Mrs. Baker in sending our the blanks to societies. Mrs. Tompkins and Mrs. Bennett each offered to pay for one day's work.

Mrs. Sinclair, as treasurer of the Volunteer Fund for the Mormon work, stated that she had brought a form to be signed since she desired to place all funds in the Fifth Ave. Bank. This form was signed by the President of the Board, thus publicly endorsing her as treasurer of the Fund.

Mrs. A. R. Smith moved that we ascertain what steps the Board had taken in reference to securing the co-operation of the Southern Church in this aggressive work against the Mormons. This motion was carried.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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Minutes of the Ways and Means Committee held January 24, 1899. Mrs Boyd in the chair.

Mr. Fred Moore, a native evangelist, appointed to Kluckwan, Alaska, at a salary of \$400 is still retained at Juneau until such time as the Kluckwan people shall return from their fishing. The recommendation of the School Committee was confirmed that so much of his salary as was necessary should be paid him while at Juneau as interpreter.

Mr. Gould of Hydah, Alaska, asks if some arrangement could be made by which the home there could be opened with a certain number of scholarships &c., but as provision has been made for these pupils at Sitka, it was moved to send Mr. Gould word that the Hydah school could not be re-opened. Carried.

Because of the meeting of General Assembly at Minneapolis Minn, on the 18th day of May, it was moved to close Good Will Mission School two weeks earlier than usual - May 16th, that the teachers might have an opportunity to attend the meetings of General Assembly, and the motion included a recommendation that some of the pupils also should be in attendance. This was carried.

A misunderstanding having arisen with the teacher commissioned for Madison Seminary, N.C. and transferred to the Asheville Farm School, the School Committee recommended that he be allowed \$50 in settlement of his work at Madison Seminary. It was moved to confirm this recommendation. Carried.

Dr. Lawrence of the Normal Collegiate Institute, N.C. asked for a new sewing machine to facilitate work in the sewing room. It was moved to grant his request. Carried.

Miss Mary Knox of Valdese, N.C. expressed her gratitude to the Woman's Board for the vacation granted at the last meeting.

A note was read from Mrs. Eugene Smith expressing her appreciation of the honor conferred upon her in electing her a member of the Advisory Committee but declining the election with regret because of various conflicting duties.

A very interesting letter was read from Miss Goodrich of Allenstand, N.C. telling of the eager interest of the people for a new school to be placed at Shelton Laurel; they will provide the land and build the school-house which will be ready about the first of March. Miss Goodrich asks permission to use some money which she has in hand to pay a teacher's salary until the summer vacation then if the interest continues and the people bear the test she will pledge the salary of one teacher for a year and take the school under her care if desired. Mrs. Weston moved that we co-operate with Miss Goodrich and act upon her recommendation, expressing our appreciation of her most earnest work and tactful labor, among these mountaineers - this was seconded and carried unanimously.

After prayer with Mrs. Walker the meeting adjourned.

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On Tuesday, January 31st, 1899, the Ways and Means Committee was called to order by Mrs. James. There were present Mrs. J. Sinclair, Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. Burnham, Mrs. Cruikshank, Mrs. Burtis, Mrs. Finks, Mrs. Pierson, Miss Terrett, Miss Lincoln, Miss Petrie, Miss Burnet, Miss White.

Mrs. John Sinclair urged increased activity in securing means to prosecute the educational campaign against Mormonism and stated that there was not sufficient money in hand to continue work along the present lines for more than a month longer. Extracts of letters from Mr. Campbell were read giving a most encouraging view of his effort in Washington, and it was unanimously agreed that it would be most disastrous to allow the effort to fail from lack of financial support; therefore each woman present felt the necessity of arousing to greater interest and active effort.

In response to an invitation from Mrs. Parks on behalf of the Methodist Church, Mrs. Pierson was appointed to represent this Board to arrange for the observance of the day annually set apart for Humiliation and Prayer.

The following resolution was received from the Wednesday Afternoon Missionary Society of the New York Ave. Church, Washington D.C.:— That we express to the Woman's Home Missionary Board of the Presbyterian Church our earnest sympathy in their effort to prevent the seating in Congress of Brigham H. Roberts.

Mrs. Pierson then presented the docket. The school at Santa Fe, N.M. is sadly in need of a new kitchen, the health of those who must work in the room at present used for this purpose seems to demand better accommodations and the bath-room facilities also are not adequate; as no appropriation can be made for this school year it was moved that we recommend to the School Committee that an appropriation be allowed on the next schedule for the erection of a two-story brick building for dining room and kitchen, and that the necessary bath-rooms shall be supplied. This was seconded and carried.

A letter was received from an elder in Payson, Utah, drawing comparison between the accommodations furnished our teachers and those that could be secured by the minister of the church; and asking if the property could be sold to the church. It was moved to refer the correspondence to Dr. Wishard. Carried.

Request came a week ago for laboratory supplies for the New Jersey Academy at Logan, Utah, and was refused as it was not the intention to include Chemistry in the course of study; recent information shows us that Chemistry is included in the curriculum mapped out by the Presbytery of Utah and agreed to by the Woman's Board with the intention that our Academies should conform to the public school system of the same grade; it was therefore moved that we should remain loyal to the Presbytery and accept the course of study recommended by them. This was carried and a motion to reconsider our former action was made and carried.

A request was received from Mr. Ross of Albuquerque, N.M. for permission to build a chicken-house, the expense to be about \$12 or \$14 and the work to be done by the father of one of the pupils on account of tuition. This was granted.

Mr. Baskervill of Good Will, Mission, South Dakota, asks for a short vacation from and after February 10th; Upon motion this was granted.

Mrs. Finks reported for the month of January five hundred new subscribers for the Home Missions Monthly making an advance of \$250 in receipts.

Miss Lincoln spoke of a letter from Miss Stephenson asking to have leaflets with cuts setting forth the work of the Woman's Board and especially the department she represents, to distribute at the close of her addresses before various churches to deepen the impression made and to lessen the possibility of forgetting the particular Board and work with which she is connected. It was suggested that this would be of great assistance to all of our teachers who speak for their various fields. Upon motion it was left to the office with power.

The following nominations for the Advisory Committee were made and endorsed. Mrs. Wilson Phraner. Miss Mary Crosby.

Mention was made of the death of Miss Amelia Smith, President of the Presbyterial Society of Long Island, and Mrs. Emerson Glover, Treasurer of the Presbyterial Society of Jacksonville, Ill. A motion was made that letters of condolence be sent to the families of these faithful workers. This was approved.

After prayer by Mrs. Boyd the meeting adjourned at 11.55

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Minutes of the Ways and Means Committee held February 28, 1899. The committee was called to order by the chairman, Mrs. Weston, who led in prayer asking for divine direction in the business of the hour.

Mrs. Pierson presented the docket. In accordance with the action of a former meeting an offer was made Mr. Grant Evans to fill the place of Mr. King as acting-president of Henry Kendall College; word was received from Mr. Evans declining the position as he thought it would be better to appoint the new president at once; it had been the intention of the Board to offer the presidency to Mr. Evans when the new schedule of teachers was made out, therefore the School Committee recommended that Mr. Evans be at once appointed the president of Henry Kendall College. It was moved that this recommendation be confirmed. Carried.

In the matter of question of titles to property in Indian Territory because of recent government treaties with the Indians which protect church but not school property, on recommendation of School Committee it was moved to refer the matter to the treasurer and Finance Committee of the Board to ask the Board of Church Erection to accept the property in trust for the Board of Home Missions until such time as the deeds could be properly made out and held by the Board. This was carried.

The furniture at Old Dwight which is not considered in good condition to be moved to Tahlequah, Ind. Ter. it was moved to sell to the missionaries on the field for their offer of \$25. Carried.

The American church at Santa Fe, N.M. raised money for an organ which they sent to Miss Fleming at Los Lentes, N.M. to assist her in her work. It was moved that we acknowledge their effort and generosity and make record of them on the minutes.

An oven is greatly needed at Hot Springs, N.C. and \$40 has been raised toward it; it was moved that a steel oven be supplied as in other schools. Carried.

Mr. Jeffreys of Asheville Farm School had bought a pair of horses for \$145 for use on the school farm which he offers to sell to the Board, now that he is leaving the work, for \$125; it was moved that the horses be purchased for the price named. Carried.

Because of the serious ill-health of Miss Johns of the Asheville Home Industrial School it was moved to grant her a vacation for the remainder of the school-year and pay her substitute as a recognition of her valued services of ten years. This was carried.

A communication was received from the Synodical President of Tennessee in reference to placing a Korean woman in our Home Industrial School at Asheville, N.C.; Mrs. James moved that as this was not legitimate work the proposal should not be considered. This was carried.

A communication was received from the Chicago Presbyterian Society expressing their approval and sympathy with the Woman's Board in their effort to expel Mr. B. H. Roberts from Congress.

A motion was made to order 2000 copies of the Washington Star containing articles concerning Mormonism which it seemed important to have widely distributed; one copy was to be mailed to each Congressman from the Star office the remainder to be sent to this office. Carried.

The building at Elm Spring, Ind. Ter. destroyed by cyclone some time ago has been rebuilt, a \$500 legacy undesignated having been used for that purpose; the teachers have made a determined and continued effort to repay the sum to the Board, but as the expense was necessary and the teachers in no way responsible for it, it was moved that word be sent them that they were in no wise indebted to the Board; and a gift of ten dollars sent to one of their teachers for extra work in the mission school should be applied where they felt the need to be greatest; this was carried.

Mrs. Honeyman moved that if a surplus remained at the close of the year the \$500 legacy applied to the rebuilding of Elm Springschool-house be returned to the Permanent Fund. Carried.

Mrs. Finks then offered the following resolution:-

Resolved:

Should there be a surplus in the treasury of the Woman's Board at the end of the present fiscal year that the amount which was borrowed from the Permanent Fund at the time of debt be reimbursed so far as circumstances warrant. This was carried and the meeting adjourned at 12.30.

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March 18, 1899, the Ways and Means Committee was called to order by the chairman, Mrs. Weston, who led in the opening prayer.

Mrs. Pierson reported a conference held with Dr. Sheldon Jackson relative to the situation at Point Barrow, Alaska. Dr. Marsh is at present the government teacher at that place, but his whole time should be given to missionary work; a special gift of \$1,200 from Mrs. Elliott F. Shephard for Dr. Marsh's salary makes this possible, and Dr. Jackson has secured a government teacher in Mr. Samuel R. Spriggs of Livingston Manor, N.Y. who will go to the field this summer. Mr. Spriggs will be under government salary but looks to us for equipment as a missionary. Action was taken that Dr. Marsh be appointed missionary physician for Point Barrow with a salary of \$1,200, and that we adopt Mr. Spriggs into our missionary family, without salary, and grant the authority to apply to his presbytery - Hudson - for necessary equipment. This action was sustained.

Dr. Marsh writes that the chapel-school-house at Point Barrow is too small and asks for an appropriation of lumber to enlarge it; this need had been anticipated to the amount of \$250 which is about half the sum needed; it was moved that Dr. Jackson be authorized to purchase and send \$500 worth of lumber to Point Barrow. Carried.

The Union church of Skagway, Alaska, being quite unsuited to the needs of the growing town a number of persons have withdrawn to organize a Presbyterian church; and ask our Board for aid to the amount of \$200; this comes within our appropriation for Alaska and is strongly recommended by Dr. Thompson. It was moved that the amount be granted. Carried.

Miss Alice Hyson of Ranchos de Taos, N.M. asks for a much needed vacation which was cheerfully granted by the Board.

Miss Irene Griffith of Malad, Idaho, asks for a year's rest; she has been on the field many years and the strain of labor and sympathy has been very continuous; it was moved that she be granted a year's vacation at half salary; this was carried.

Miss Alice Robertson, Muskogee, Ind. Ter. protests against the decision of the Board in the matter of her salary, claiming \$50 additional; as the whole situation had been thoroughly discussed when the salary was fixed at \$500, Mrs. James moved that the matter be referred back to Mr. McAfee for explanation and adjustment with Miss Robertson. Carried.

Miss Johns of Asheville Home Industrial school expressed her appreciation and thanks for the vacation granted her.

To increase the sale and distributions of our literature at the annual meeting it was moved that Mrs. Pomeroy be given authority to pay a regular attendant if she finds it impossible to obtain constant service in any other way. This was carried.

As the money in hand for the special Mormon campaign comes in very slowly Mrs. James moved that we borrow from our treasury to pay Mr. Campbell from month to month but that the amount shall be returned as rapidly as the money is received. This was carried.

Mr. Campbell, just returned from Washington, presented his report before a called meeting of the Mormon Committee, and outlined his plan for further work, as follows: that a leaflet should be prepared and printed and sent throughout the Southern States for the information of those who are called upon to speak on this subject, and that an agent be sent to Utah to gather certain evidence that can be relied upon by representatives of the government when the test shall be made over Roberts' seat in the House.

The Committee was impressed with the fact that the work must not be allowed to fail but should be continued along the plan outlined, therefore it was moved by Mrs. Brownell that the work should go on and that it should be prosecuted with even more vigor and force. Mrs. Parsons seconded this motion and added that the Board express to Mr. Campbell their appreciation and thanks for his untiring energy and earnest, consecrated effort; the motion was put and carried unanimously; after which the meeting adjourned.

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Minutes of Ways and Means Committee, March 28, 1899. Mrs. Weston in the chair.

The docket was presented by Mrs. Pierson, who, before asking for vacations for several teachers, explained that when our teachers are commissioned they are engaged for the entire year, and according to the rules of the Board cannot leave the field for a vacation without making application for the same. This is done in order to guard the field work, as it is absolutely necessary that some arrangement should be made whereby the Sunday school and missionary work are continued throughout the year. Applications for vacations were made by Miss Kate Scott, Pajarito, N.M., Rev. Mr. Clemenson, Miss Reed, Miss Bryson and Miss McCartney of Harlan, Ky., Miss Maggie Fleming of Los Lentos, N.M. and Miss McNeil of Logan, Utah. It was moved and carried that the vacations be granted to date from July in each case.

For a number of years Miss Leva Granger was associated with her mother as assistant teacher at Las Cruces, N.M. Recently she removed to Kaysville, Utah, where she has had increased care in school work, from which her health has suffered and she is now on the verge of nervous prostration. In view of her long service the School Committee recommend that a year's vacation be granted her. It was moved and carried that the recommendation of the School Committee be accepted.

Miss McNair of Albuquerque, N.M. also asks for a vacation. It was moved and carried that the vacation be granted and that Mr. McAfee make such arrangements as will be necessary for carrying on the work during her absence from the field.

Rev. Mr. Spriggs who will go to Point Barrow, Alaska, as assistant to Dr. Marsh, will need equipment in the way of extra clothing, furnishing for rooms, furs, et. Mrs. Pierson asked that we be given permission to apply to churches outside of his own and Hudson Presbytery. As it was not known just what the equipment should be nor the cost of the same, it was decided to leave the matter of ascertaining these points to Miss Lincoln, who had suggested that Mrs. Buchanan who was instrumental in furnishing the equipment for Dr. Marsh, would probably know the needs.

A communication was received from Mrs. Jay Schieffelin stating that she had many periodicals which she would be glad to send to missionaries and would pay the postage of the same, but that she could not do this herself, but would send to any point where they would be cared for and sent out. The chairman, Mrs. Weston, suggested that possibly it would be done by Miss Clark of the Fifth Ave. Church, who is interested in sending out literature. The letter was left to Mrs. Weston.

A letter was presented from Dr. Roberts who wrote that the committee on Sabbath observance had asked that they might have the use of the Assembly's Church on Sunday afternoon, May 21st, from 2.30 to 3.30. This time has always been granted to the Woman's Board and the synodical officers had urged that the Board hold the popular meeting as usual in the Assembly's Church. After discussion a motion was made and carried that the Woman's Board hold their meeting at the place appointed, between the hours of 2.30 and 4.

Meeting adjourned.

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Minutes of Ways and Means Committee, April 11th, 1899. Mrs. Weston in the chair.

The docket was presented by Miss Lincoln who stated that the following had asked for vacations: from the Home Industrial School at Asheville, N.C. Miss Heydenburk, Miss Allison, Miss Dean, Miss Williams, Miss Johnson and Miss Coe. Motion made and carried that these vacations be granted. In the Asheville Farm School vacations were asked by Miss McArthur, Miss Williams, Miss Williamson, Mr. Postlewait and Mr. Newman nad Miss Florence Redway. As these vacations came under the rules on motion all were granted. Miss Mollie Clements asks to leave her field, San Juan, for the summer; granted. Miss Sutherland of Manti, Utah, asks that a vacation of two months may be given her from June 1st; granted. Mrs. Green and her daughter have been in the employ of the Board for fifteen years and now retire at their request. They ask that traveling expenses be paid them to California and return. Because of their long and faithful service it was moved and carried that traveling expenses be granted them.

The office boy, Herbert, had an opportunity to obtain a better position and the treasurer asked that she be permitted to pay him from the 1st to the 15th of the month, allowing him the two weeks pay. On the basis of a month's vacation in the year this two weeks' time was his due. Moved and carried that the treasurer be directed to pay him as requested.

Mrs. Sinclair spoke in reference to the Mormon Fund. She stated that at this time she had \$642.65 and had paid out \$535.86. She spoke of the necessity of urging this matter and that societies in large centres be urged to help in this movement. Heretofore the requests for this fund had been made mainly in and around New York. Mrs. Sinclair is going away and at her request Mrs. F.S. Bennett's name was added to the committee and Mrs. Bennett appointed treasurer of the fund.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

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The minutes of the Ways and Means Committee held April 25, 1899. The meeting was called to order at eleven o'clock by the chairman, Mrs. Weston.

Mrs. James moved that the office should correspond with the ladies of California to see if some home in that health-giving climate could not be found to receive, for a time, Miss Freece whose health necessitates retirement to a lower altitude than that of her present home in Salina, Utah. This motion was seconded and carried. Mrs. James also moved that we communicate with our physician at Sitka concerning Mrs. Tillie Paul, whose health is in a precarious condition, with the purpose in view of doing all possible to restore this valuable worker to perfect strength. This was carried.

Mr. McAfee then read his annual report which was most encouraging and contained the following statistics. Schools 121, increase of 8 over last year. Pupils 8,411, increase of 82. Conversions 700 gain 240 over last year. Ministers, lay missionaries and evangelists 31. Churches organized during the year, 2 at Vardy, Tenn Marshall, N.C. Mrs. James moved a vote of thanks to Mr. McAfee which was heartily accorded. It was moved to have the report printed in time for the annual meeting. Carried.

A motion was made that the printing of the program for the annual meeting be left to the Publication Committee. Carried.

Mrs. Pierson then presented the docket which opened with a letter from Miss Helen W. Clark, who came into our work through the Indian Association when the mission at Spokane, Washington, was transferred to the Woman's Board. Providence has led her to open a mission at Neah Bay among the Makeh Indians who understand English but have never received religious care from any church; Mrs. Ladd of Portland, Oregon, has become responsible for her salary if the Woman's Board will undertake the work. The women present were so touched by the beautiful spirit of love and devotion revealed in Miss Clark's letter that the following motion was put without hesitation. Moved that we undertake this new work among the Makeh Indians with thanksgiving that we have so brave and consecrated a woman to go among them. This was carried and Mrs. Brownell led those present in a prayer for God's blessing on this mission and missionary worker.

From Valdese, N.C. Miss Knox writes concerning the building of a new school-house; their wants are very simple and their needs great so it was moved that this be referred favorably to the May conference. Carried.

Mrs. Fox writes that their physician has ordered a sea voyage for her husband who has been sick for so long a time, she encloses a letter from a friend of Home Missions with a gift of \$25 for the private use of Mr. Fox or for school purposes as he sees fit. Motion was made that Mr. Fox be allowed to use this money for personal expenses. Carried.

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The School Committee recommended allowing the Chicago & Northwestern R.R. right of way through our property at Tama, Iowa; motion was made that this recommendation be confirmed but that the Finance Committee report what recompense be allowed the Woman's Board. This was carried.

Mrs. Sinclair moved to recommend that on occasion of important transactions the Finance Committees of the Woman's Board and the Assembly's Board should meet together. Carried.

Motion was made that permission be given the superintendent of the school at Tahlequah, Ind. Ter. to arrange for teacher's vacations; carried.

Motion was also made that the vacations at the Home Industrial school at Asheville, N.C. be left with Miss Stephenson. Carried.

Applications for vacations were presented from the following teachers and it was moved that they be granted according to recommendation. Miss Moore, Smithfield, Miss Sutherland, Manti, Mrs. Hardy, St. George, all of Utah. Miss Clemens, San Juan, Colo.

Mr. Jeffroys of the Asheville Farm School as commissioner from the French Broad Presbytery to the General Assembly asked permission to leave the field to be present at Minneapolis. Upon motion this was granted.

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As Mrs. Green and daughter go to California for a needed rest and return to their field in Utah to work without salary it was moved that the expenses of travel both going and returning be met by the Woman's Board. This was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12.30

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Minutes of the Ways and Means Committee, May 9th, 1899.

In the absence of Mrs. Weston, the chairman, Mrs. James presided. After an opening prayer by Mrs. Hallock, and before the business of the morning was taken up, the annual report of the Young People's Secretary, Miss M. Josephine Petrie, was read. On motion this report was accepted and adopted. The annual report of the treasurer, Miss S. F. Lincoln, was also read and approved.

In presenting the docket, Mrs. Pierson first read a letter from Dr. Freece. It has been the desire on the part of many in the Woman's Board to obtain from Miss Freece, who is in very poor health a place where she could rest for a time. This letter from her sister telling of her present condition and thanking the ladies for their interest, states that it would be impossible for her to be moved at the present time. She has a complication of nervous troubles, and it will be impossible for her to leave for a long time. Mrs. James read another letter from Miss Lucy Perley.

Communication was received from Mr. Campbell, who gave an encouraging report of the progress of his work in securing the information which he is seeking in regard to polygamous marriages in the State of Utah. Mr. Campbell also sent an article from the "Deseret News", the official organ of the Mormons, calling attention to the action of General Assembly in regard to polygamous marriages in India. Mr. Campbell felt that a strong presentation of the Mormon question should be made at the Assembly, inasmuch as the Mormons claim in view of the Assembly's action that polygamy is sanctioned among the converts of India. After conference with Dr. Thompson as to the best method of reaching the ear of the Assembly, it was moved and carried that Dr. Paden, who is the representative from Utah Presbytery, be asked to speak upon the subject and that the endeavor be made to enlist the active interest of Dr. Coyle of California, Dr. Haines of Indianapolis, Dr. Bronson, Judge Wilson and Judge Huey of Philadelphia. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Howard Johnson and the meeting adjourned.

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The Committee of Ways and Means was called to order on Tuesday, June 27, by Mrs. James.

Recognition was made of the effective work of the Devotional Committee for the satisfactory way in which the Tuesday prayer meetings have been conducted. Miss Petrie voiced in prayer the thanks of those present for inspiration received at these times

In the matter of Parker Hall, N.C. it was moved that the care of the school and the school property be transferred to the Mechlenber: Presbytery. This was seconded and carried.

A letter from Miss Fraser, Cali, called attention to the fact that our Life Membership was \$30 while that of the Foreign Society was \$25 thereby losing to us some subscriptions. As \$25 seemed a much simpler sum to deal with it was moved that we recommend to the Board that our Life-Membership be reduced to the said amount. Carried.

Mrs. Pierson presented the following resolution framed and signed at the Annual Meeting at Minneapolis:-

The Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church, representing one-hundred-and-twenty-eight-thousand women, assembled in annual convention in Minneapolis, Minn, May 24, 1899, do earnestly petition the 56th Congress of the United States to expel from its body the representative-elect from Utah, Brigham H. Roberts, an avowed polygamist, because his election sets at naught the pledges of Utah to the U.S. Government in regard to the practice of polygamy and is a disgrace to the nation.

It was moved that this resolution be left to the office to send to the proper person at such time as was thought best. Carried.

Because of a letter received from Mr. Campbell concerning the authorship of a paper in the Arena, it was moved that the officers confer with Mrs. Houghton, editor of the Evangelist, with a view to exposing the source of the article. Carried.

The Ways and Means Committee adjourned at this point and reconvened as the Mormon sub-committee. Mrs. Bennett then made the following financial statement. Since April 28th she has received \$888 and paid out \$669 leaving a balance of \$218; but this committee has been obliged to borrow \$350 from the treasury of the Woman's Board to meet the salary of Mr. Campbell as it became due.

Plans for the Fall campaign were proposed and discussed at length finally reaching the following motion offered by Mrs. Bennett and afterward amended so as to read: That a leaflet be prepared by Mrs. James, setting forth the progress of the committee's work and their urgent need of funds, that one thousand copies of the same should be printed, a few to be sent each member of the committee requesting that they should distribute them judiciously accompanied by personal letters, the remainder to be sent out through the office. This was carried.

After prayer by Mrs. Campbell the meeting adjourned.

A special meeting of the Ways and Means Committee was held on July 11th, 1899. There were present Mrs. James in the chair, Mr. Pierson, Mrs. Pingry, Miss Peck, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Riddell of Muskogee, Ind. Ter. and Miss White.

The meeting was opened by a number of short prayers asking for God's special presence and guidance in the business of the day.

Mrs. Pierson brought the attention of the meeting to the matter of enlargement through the request of the Mankato Presbytery Minn., that work among the Bohemians - long solicited - be undertaken. It was moved that we take Miss Nowak now at work at New Prague under our care allowing Mankato Presbytery to give \$100 toward her support through our treasury; also that we communicate with Mr. Sulzer as to her salary and if it is less than \$300 that the Woman's Board request the Board of Home Missions to allow them to commission Miss Nowak as a Bible Reader at a salary of \$300. Carried. Meeting adjourned.

The first meeting of the Ways and Means Committee was held under bright skies on Tuesday, Sept. 12th, 1899; after a short but helpful prayer meeting led by Mrs. Finks, Mrs. Honevman took the chair and called upon Mrs. Burtis for the opening prayer.

Mrs. Pierson presented the docket which was introduced by a letter from Mrs. C. E. Coulter of the Freedmen's Department. Because of Mrs. Coulter's resignation as general secretary, her work has been given to Mrs. F. D. Palmer as General Secretary and Mrs. V. P. Boggs as Corresponding Secretary; the question arose as to which name should appear on our letter head; after discussion it was moved that the name of General Secretary, Mrs. Flora D. Palmer, should be printed on the letter head and that both officers should be recognized in the Home Mission Monthly. This was carried.

Dr. Wilbur of Sitka, Alaska, wrote to Miss Lincoln of a balance of \$55 to the credit of the hospital and asked if he might be allowed to use a portion of it for hospital slippers, the remainder to be kept for instruments which may be needed later. Upon motion permission was granted for this expenditure.

Mrs. Buel of San Pablo, Colo., made an estimate of repairs needed which will probably be met through tuition charges; upon motion Mrs. Buel was authorized to make necessary repairs.

The minister living in the teacher's home at Mendon, Utah, asked that \$15 of his rental be applied to the repairs of the flue in the chapel and the remainder be remitted because of improvements he has made. Upon motion this was allowed.

Miss Anna Noble of Kaysville, Utah, asks permission to have a scholarship pupil reside with her. Upon motion this was granted.

The need of a two-seated carriage at the Laura Sunderland school was presented by a note from Mrs. Hamlin; and the motion made that Miss Stephenson mention it as she speaks before the Baltimore Synodical Society and thus obtain it as a special if possible. Carried.

Mrs. Finks called attention to the increase in the subscriptions to Home Mission Monthly through the effort of last year and asked if a similar movement should be undertaken this season. Upon motion the matter was left to the Magazine Committee with power.

After a closing prayer by Mrs. Finks the meeting adjourned.

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A regular meeting of the Ways and Means Committee was held on Tuesday, Sept. 26, 1899. Mrs. Parsons called the meeting to order and the Committee proceeded to the consideration of the docket.

A letter from Dr. Wishard called to the attention of the Woman's Board that at some previous time the Connecticut branch of the Woman's National Indian Association had offered to donate a certain property among the Shoshones in Idaho to our Woman's Board by whom it had been refused because it entailed new responsibilities; the same proposition has since been made to the Episcopal Church and is still under advisement by them. The missionary on the field, through Dr. Wishard, urges that we should assume and continue the work among these Indians who have been educated along Presbyterian lines. As the ladies present did not feel qualified to vote finally on this subject, it was moved to refer the whole matter to the office in consultation with the secretaries of the Assembly's Board. This was carried.

The practical farmer at the Industrial School at Tucson, Arizona, asked for \$100 in addition to his salary because of extra expense incurred through continued sickness in the family; though feeling deep sympathy with him it was decided upon vote that his request could not be granted.

Miss Alice Robertson of Muskogee, Ind. Ter. asks for leave of absence, without salary, for one year, and also makes request that her traveling expenses to the north shall be allowed. As she has not claimed this privilege for seven years, spending the whole time in Indian Territory, it was moved and seconded that both requests should be cordially granted. This was carried.

Mrs. King of Wolf Point, Montana, had received permission to raise \$1000 to build an Industrial Home for boys; she has secured \$250 during the summer and is now back at her work with very limited opportunity to make appeals. As the home is much needed and the work would be greatly furthered thereby Mr. McAfee recommends that we appropriate the sum needed to erect the building and release Mrs. King from the obligation of raising the full amount. A requisition was made for necessary furniture at this same point so that both subjects were considered together and a motion made to appropriate a sufficient sum of money to erect the Home and meet the requisitions. Carried.

A new station opened at Socorro, N.M. on the Mexican field is bare of all comforts for the teacher who finds no suitable place in which to live; action was taken to appropriate \$100 for her comfort.

A request from the Salt Lake Collegiate Institute, Utah, for telephone connection was upon motion refused.

Because of ill health, action was taken granting the matron of Salt Lake Collegiate Institute, Utah, a vacation to be spent in a lower altitude.

Mrs. Stalker of Paris, Idaho, asks for scholarship pupil to live with her, which request was granted.

Mr. Baskervill makes request for an oven to supplement the range at Asheville Farm School; upon motion this was granted.

Action was taken last spring appointing Mrs. Walker of Los Angeles, as speaker for Presbyterial meetings throughout the Synod of California allowing traveling expenses; as ill health prevented her fulfilling engagements at that time, it was moved that the same privileges be granted this fall. This was carried.

Relative to a proposition received from Mrs. Mary Lowe Dickinson to prepare an exhibit for the Paris Exposition of 1900 to be placed among the exhibitions of Woman's philanthropical work; action was taken to refer the matter to Mrs. James expressing the opinion of the Committee as unfavorable to the proposition. Carried.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned.

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Minutes of Ways and Means Committee, Oct 10, 1899.. In the absence of the Chairman, Mrs. Weston, Mrs. Darwin R. James, president of the Board, presided.

Miss Lincoln presented a letter from Miss Dissette, who was formerly missionary under our Board. Miss Dissette is now working under the Government in the schools of New Mexico and writes asking if it will be practicable and possible for societies to furnish Christmas boxes for the teachers and pupils in these Government schools. The children attending the schools are poor and have never had any idea of Christmas and Miss Dissette thinks this would be a good opportunity not only to give pleasure but also to give instructions regarding the birth of the Saviour. It was moved and carried that the appeals be made to our societies for this in the same way appeals are made for boxes for our schools through Mrs. Baker. Mrs. Amerman suggested that Miss Lincoln be invited to present this work to the New York Presbyterial Society at their regular meeting.

Miss Lincoln made a request that a scholarship be granted Miss Sadie Meiling of Wellsville, Utah, in order that she may have a pupil to live with her. This is granted in many cases where a teacher resides alone. Miss McQueen of Utica Presbytery offered to give \$50.00 toward the support of this scholarship. On motion this was granted.

Mrs. James called the attention of the meeting to the fact that in March, 1895 number of the Home Mission Monthly, the caption "A National Peril" resolutions are printed calling attention to the desecration of the Sabbath. Mrs. James asked that a new expression of these resolutions be published in the Home Mission Monthly. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Finks were appointed a committee to prepare these resolutions upon Sabbath observance.

On motion meeting adjourned.

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Minutes of Ways & Means Committee, October 24, 1899. In the absence of Mrs. Pierson, Miss Lincoln presented the docket.

About three years ago an attempt was made to have Dorland Inst. furnished with its own water supply. Mrs. Elliott F. Shepard contributed \$300 toward the amount needed. There were some difficulties in the way and the Institute has paid a water rent of \$80 a year to the Company. Miss Phillips considers this plan satisfactory. Now she asks if the amount contributed by Mrs. Shepard (and not used) may not be applied to the fund for the boys' building. On motion Miss Phillips was instructed to correspond with Mrs. Shepard and learn if she were willing to have this money so applied.

Miss Speakman of Utah, resigned from the work on account of her health. Having sufficiently recovered to take up the work again she asked to be commissioned to go to Alamosa Canon. Dr. Kirkwood gave her full details in regard to the work and she was sent there at an expense of \$60. She found no suitable place to live; the former teacher, Miss Gomez, being a Mexican, could live in a Mexican family, but Miss Speakman felt she could not do that; she asks therefore that she be excused from filling the position and that she be permitted to go to Monroe, Utah, as an associate of Miss Beekman. Although Miss Beekman has but 35 pupils she has planned to have an evening school for young men and thinks that Miss Speakman can collect enough tuition from these young men to pay the salary. The two together would occupy the teachers' home and good work might be done.

Mr. McAfee recommended that Miss Speakman be allowed to go to Monroe, Utah, as Miss Beekman's associate. Recommendation was accepted.

A letter was read from Miss Meiling of Wellsville, Utah, thanking the Board for granting her a scholarship pupil. She knows of one who lived at Ogden - a Mormon girl who she thinks will be a great comfort to her, and she in turn will be a help to this young girl.

Recently the Board decided that all the teaching in New Mexico must be in English. Mrs. Bryce of Las Vegas, N.M. says she cannot do it but wants Spanish Bibles, Spanish hymn books and Spanish text books. After much conversation it was moved and carried that the Board request Mrs. Bryce to teach in English; also moved and carried that a supply of up-to-date school books and charts be furnished to Mrs. Bryce.

Meeting adjourned.

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Meeting of Ways and Means Committee met on Tuesday, October 31, 1899. Only about half a dozen ladies present owing to the inclement weather. The preceding devotional meeting was conducted by Miss Rue who took for her subject Christ urging his disciples to be fishers of men. Mrs. James on opening the meeting asked a prayer for the work to be considered and another for the meeting to be held in the Brick church in the afternoon.

Miss Lincoln reported that at Hoonah, Alaska, Mr. Carl writes that the building needs a new roof and begs that an appropriation be made for it. His brother is willing to do the work if material be provided. Mr. McAfee recommends this being done even though outside the appropriation for that place.

The building at Sitka set apart for Mr. and Mrs. Austin is very large, too large for two persons. Prof. Kelly suggests a division of the house by partitions and adding a new kitchen, so that two families might be accommodated in it. Mr. Bock, the carpenter, his wife and child, are now living in two upper rooms of one of our dormitories and are by no means comfortable. Prof. Kelly suggests putting this family in the manse with Mr. and Mrs. McClelland, the cost being only about \$150 to bring this about. This was put as a motion and carried.

Our new superintendent at Muskogee, Ind. Ter. proposes changing the school term to opening on Oct. 1st till June 30th - now to the heat of September being really against the health of the teachers. Motion carried that Mr. Evans be allowed to make this change.

Another change proposed is to close the boarding department from June 30 till Sept 15, as various reasons cause him to believe it the part of wisdom to do so. Only one or two teachers are necessary to be on hand during this summer vacation and it will obviate large expense.

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Another suggestion is to employ students during vacation unless they board themselves. A motion sustained empowering Mr. Evans to make the changes he proposes and of which we see the wisdom.

Mr. McAfee adds another proposition that the land be cultivated about the college, even though it be necessary to engage a man to do so. All the potatoes needed for the school might thus be raised. Miss Lincoln testified to the ability of Mr. Evans and to his spiritual character and feels we are most fortunate in having such a man in that place. Motion seconded that the suggestion of Mr. McAfee meet with our approval.

At La Costilla, N.M. Miss Anna Melton is working. She finds that by changing her abode to another plaza where she is offered \$200 by the people residing there she can secure the children from two neighboring villages and has a better chance for a school. This meeting with unanimous approval a motion was carried allowing Miss Melton to make this change.

Dr. Kirkwood writes Mr. McAfee regarding Miss Floretta Shields, that since she left the work she has been carrying on voluntary work among the Utes, and Dr. Kirkwood thinks she is doing very valuable service. He thinks she is often poor and needy. While not sufficiently educated to teach, she is fully qualified to carry on just this missionary work she is engaged in, and he is much in favor of our giving her \$300 to carry it on. A recommendation referred to the School Committee asking for this appropriation for Miss Shields.

Miss Lincoln read a letter from Mr. Rodriguez, Mexican Evangelist, telling of the death of his wife. He wants to place his little girls in the Santa Fe school if possible. Miss Childs of Washington writes asking if they can take scholarships in their society for them. A motion carried that the Washington ladies be allowed to support these two children of Rodriguez.

A letter from Mr. Evans of Good Will, South Dakota, whose husband is doing excellent work in his new place, regarding the receipt of boxes coming for the school. They propose being at the opening of all such boxes and barrels arriving undesignated, and in cases where they are addressed to a teacher, that this teacher shall be present, and all garments disposed of at moderate price. This was put as a motion and carried. A motion was also carried that as to all undesignated articles, a price must be put on every one before disposition of the same.

Mrs. James thinks we should have more land at Anadarko, OKl. Ter, believing that thereby the school might be self-supporting, and the same holds good at Tucson where Mr. Herndon asks strongly for it. A motion was carried that for the interest of our work at Tucson inquiries be made as to the amount of land thought to be needed in addition.

Mrs. James retiring from the chair, made a motion that an inquiry be made as to what schools under the care of the Freedmen are supported by our societies, and that such shall be so marked on the map.

Mrs. James recommended the appointment of a secretary for Sabbath-schools in every Presbyterial Society. This was put as a motion and carried. Mrs. James added to this motion that the same should hold good in all local societies. A pressure should be brought to bear upon every superintendent. Miss Petrie was asked to come in for consultation and the matter was carefully discussed after which Mrs. James thought best to withdraw her motion and defer the manner of carrying out her suggestions to a full discussion to be held at our Annual Meeting. Motion to adjourn was carried.

A letter coming in from Mrs. Bulkley of the Brick church asked for advice as to securing a scholarship in the Asheville Normal & Collegiate School. A motion carried that the matter be left with Mrs. James who will attend the meeting where they want the support of this Committee.

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Mrs. James reported for sub-committee on Mormon work.

In the matter of resignation of Tillie Paul action -
Moved that she be granted a year's rest on half salary - carried.

Letter from Miss Fannie Willard thanking Woman's Board
for appointment at Sitka.

INDIANS. In matter of Tama Indians action - Moved to approve
that she be continued under salary for one year or until she re-
ceives government appointment, and that she be used as a speaker
during the period of her commission.

Resignation of Miss Huber of Anadarko, Okl. Ter. Moved to
accept. Carried.

In matter of building at Wolf Point, Montana, action -
Moved to increase the appropriation of \$200 - carried.

Mrs. James moved that a list of buildings and improvements
appear in Home Mission Monthly - carried.

In matter of bill for furniture at Wolf Point, Montana -
moved to approve - carried.

Teacher at Ignacio, N.M. asks for scholarship pupil -
moved the appropriation of \$75 be made for such pupil.

Mrs. James moved that a companion be insisted upon for
teachers who are living alone - carried.

Concerning scholarship pupils for Miss Stringfield - ap-
propriation of \$75 needed - may be applied to traveling expenses of
companion. Moved that the appropriation be made. Carried.

Moved that an appropriation be made sufficient to comfort-
ably furnish rooms for Miss Stringfield and companion. Carried.

In matter of Miss May's engagements; she asks if she
may return to Santa Fe until such time as she may be required in
the East - moved and carried.

Communication from New Jersey Academy, Logan, Utah, read
dealing with the distribution of Christmas gifts to day pupils and
Sunday School pupils. Action - Recommend that the service be a
union exercise, no discrimination to be made between day and Sunday
school pupils - carried.

Mrs. James moved that in the letter written to Mrs. Bennett
should be communicated that the sense of the meeting was that faith-
fulness in attendance should be rewarded whether the pupil was in
the Day or Sunday-school - carried.

In answer to question asked Mrs. James, moved that the at-
tendance on Day school was preferred above Sunday-school attend-
ance as thereby the pupil receives five days of Bible instruction
as against one day each week - carried.

In matter of repairs for Mt. Pleasant, Utah, moved that \$400 be appropriated to repairing the chapel in case the property cannot be sold. Carried.

Resignation of Miss Mabel Moore, Walnut Springs, N.C. moved to accept - carried.

In matter of church at Marshall, N.C. money promised if called Couper Memorial, recommendation that committee be named and work pushed to completion - moved to appropriate \$2200 for the church at Marshall, N.C. - carried.

In matter of furniture for Miss Newman - Moved to appropriate \$50 for such furniture - carried.

Concerning teacher at Shelton Laurel, N.C. Moved to appropriate \$300 for teacher's salary - carried.

Mrs. James read a letter from Miss McBeth asking for a teacher to assist in field work and to teach the wives of Indian students. Moved to commission Miss Mc Beth's niece as her assistant and the question of salary be referred to Miss McBeth for suggestion - carried.

Prayer of Thanksgiving by Mrs. Brownell.

Moved to adjourn at 1 o'clock.

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Minutes of Ways & Means Committee, November 28, 1899. Mrs. Weston in the chair.

Mrs. Pierson reported before taking up the docket that Miss Robertson had passed her examination and received appointment and would report at Washington as promptly as possible.

Miss Melton of La Costilla makes application for six numbers of "Forward". On motion this requisition was granted.

Rev. Mr. Martin of Manti, Utah, brought a letter from Miss White who asks that a teacher's home be provided for her as there is no proper place which can be found suitable for a Home. Mr. Martin in talking over the matter urged strongly that this be granted stating that Miss White would collect funds as an extra and outside of our societies. After some discussion it was moved and carried that the Board recommend it to the School Committee.

In view of these and other needs Mrs. James recommended that an article be written for the Home Mission Monthly with the caption "Onward in Utah", the whole to be based on this plea that Mr. Martin has made for a teacher's home and which is a representative need of our work. On motion this recommendation was adopted.

Mrs. Pierson stated that Rev. Mr. Fox had notified the Board that he would not be able to take up the work at Hot Springs and in the Laurel country.

Mrs. C. E. Walker who has been speaking in the synod of California, writes for instructions as to the number of meetings she may take in each presbytery. After much discussion it was moved and carried that Mrs. Walker be authorized to take representative meetings.

Miss Foster of Long Island Presbyterial Society was present and asked that she might make a statement with the view to receiving suggestions from the Board. The Long Island Presbyterial Society has raised as a memorial to Miss Amelia Smith, their late President, and now they ask for suggestions as to where this amount shall be appropriated. The School Building at Hot Springs, N.C. was suggested; also the Superintendent's Home at Asheville Farm School.

Appeals have come from Yancy Co. for day schools. Dr. Duncan, Dr. Humble and Dr. Lawrence have all visited the field and ask if the Board is not ready to place day schools here where they are so much needed. It was moved and carried that day schools be opened in Yancy Co. as fast as practicable. Dr. Humble also made another proposition; that we consider the training of our own Bible Readers by having a summer school at the Normal & Collegiate Inst., at Asheville, where for two months Bible training might be given to those expecting to take up missionary work. A resolution was offered that this matter be taken into consideration and that it again be brought forward for further discussion. Carried.

Mrs. Finks reported that the Editorial Committee of "Over Sea and Land" desires to place this magazine in all Sunday-schools as far as possible. To this end they have prepared a letter, appeal-

ing to persons of means asking that contributions be made in order to create a permanent fund by means of which this magazine may be sent free of charge to many Sunday-schools. The sending out of this letter was endorsed by those present.

Mrs. Walker, chairman of the committee appointed to draft resolutions in regard to Sabbath observance presented the following

"Resolved, That the Woman's Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church expresses its sympathy with all movements of Christian organizations for the preservation of the Sabbath and urgently calls upon its constituents for renewed activity in this special line of Christian service.

"Resolved, That the Woman's Board recognizes that with the 'self-conscious social life of the new civilization there is being developed a social conscience', and that it is peculiarly woman's work to educate this conscience in the sacredness of the Lord's Day for the benefit of the physical, moral and spiritual upbuilding of man.

"Resolved, That in view of the public exhibition of baseball on the Sabbath day, also the discouragement in rural churches by reason of the prevalence of golf, and the extensive use of the bicycle on the Lord's Day by many who have time and leisure on other days, therefore the Woman's Board earnestly invites the co-operation of the Christian Endeavorers that these splendid amusements may not become a curse.

"Resolved, That the Woman's Board acknowledges with gratitude the increasing interest and assistance given by the clergy from the pulpit and respectfully asks the continuance of such instruction that the congregations under their care may regard the Sabbath as a precious gift of God. That Saturday evening may, as far as possible be reserved that the body may be in the spirit on the Lord's Day; that secular papers and social functions may be discarded so that the Christian household may be in a religious atmosphere one day in seven, and thus secure self-preservation, inspire love of home, patriotism and loyalty to God.

"Resolved, That 'since centuries of experience show the religion of Christ must keep or lose spiritual power in almost exact proportion as the Scriptural Sabbath is hallowed or profaned' that the Woman's Board calls on all Christian women to the maintenance of the Sabbath by rest of body and mind, by private meditation on divine things and public worship, that the right use of the Lord's Day may mean a spiritual refreshment to the whole church of Christ.

These resolutions were accepted and adopted and ordered printed in the Home Mission Monthly. Mrs. Walker also reported on behalf of the Committee appointed to consider the programme for use on the day of Humiliation and Prayer, that such a programme would be prepared by Miss White.

Meeting adjourned.

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The meeting of the Ways and Means Committee was held December 12th, 1899, ten ladies being present.

Unfinished business was reported in the matter of the transfer of Salt Lake Collegiate Institute to the Trustees of Sheldon Jackson College as a Preparatory School, and Dr. Jackson's answer accepting the conditions was announced.

A letter from Mr. Craig, Synodical Missionary in New Mexico, asked, in the name of the Home Mission Committee of Presbytery, if the Woman's Board would appropriate \$200 to supplement the appropriation of the Board of Home Missions for the pay of the Mexican Evangelists; that appropriation not covering the advance from \$1.25 to \$1.50 a day that was promised by the Presbytery to these men. Inasmuch as the Woman's Board will have extra expense on the Mexican field, because of the especial poverty of the people this year, it was voted that this appeal could not be met, and that the Woman's Board was not justified in thus supplementing the appropriation made by the Board.

Miss Blake of Chaperito, N.M. asks if she may open school in a neighboring plaza during the slack time in her own work. Action taken that she be allowed to do so if the people will make proper provision for her during such a period.

Application for a scholarship pupil at Samaria, Idaho, was allowed.

Miss Hemenway of Gunnison, Utah, asks that a scholarship be granted her. This scholarship will be applied to the education of Miss Hemenway's sister, a Mormon girl, now under Mormon influences. Action taken that the scholarship be granted.

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Meeting of the Ways and Means Committee was held on Tuesday, December 26th, 1899, Mrs. James in the chair. Mrs. Pierson presented from Mr. Falt a report of the expenses from Anadarko, Okl. Ter.; building and repairs cost \$582, instead of \$500, the amount appropriated. Mr. Falt has offered to pay the difference \$82 himself, but since he has been very ill, and suffered a relapse in getting about too soon in order to superintend the work, it was moved by Mrs. Honeyman that the Woman's Board pay the \$82 expended over and above appropriation, which was carried.

Miss Boone of Los Angeles, Cali., asks whether they shall hold Sunday-school with their pupils at the school or if they shall unite with those in the church and hold a session there. It was moved and carried that they unite with those of Rev. Mr. Merwin's congregation.

Communications have been received from Mt Vernon, Ky., asking if the Woman's Board will not furnish a teacher for that Institute. Although this institution is under the care of the Synod, yet the needs appeals so strongly to all that a general wish was expressed that something might be done, but as appropriations are made for such a salary, it was moved and carried that we decline to grant the request.

Interest having been awakened as to the condition of our own treasury, Miss Lincoln stated that the receipts were about the same as last year; that expenses thus far had been somewhat greater. It was moved and carried that a note be sounded from the treasury in the February number of the magazine, calling upon Presbyterial Treasurers to urge local treasurers for prompt responses.

At the close of the presentation of the docket, Mrs. James read letters of interest from Dr. Wishard, Rev. Mr. Campbell, Representative Tayler of Ohio, and others.

Mrs. James also presented a letter from Miss Palmer, who again asks the Woman's Board to purchase her property at Valdese. Moved and carried that we have at present no money for such a purpose.

Mrs. Honeyman, Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that hereafter this Committee would hold a meeting regularly on the fourth Tuesday of each month.

Meeting adjourned.